

REMARKS

Claims 1-27, 29-34, 36-54, 57-59, 63-68, 70-98, 110-113, and 118-121 are pending in the present application. The Examiner has indicated that claims 1-27, 29-34, 36-54, 57-59, 63-68, 70-98, 110-113, and 118-121 are allowable. The Examiner has thus indicated that prosecution on the merits is closed in accordance with practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, and that the application would be in condition for allowance if Applicants provide an omitted application number in the specification. Therefore Applicants have amended the specification to include the now known application number. Claims 70-98 have been withdrawn from consideration. Accordingly, no new matter has been added to the application by the foregoing amendments.

Entry of Rule 116 Response

Applicants respectfully request that the Amendment After Final be entered in accordance with 37 CFR §1.116 and MPEP 714.13 since: (1) no new matter has been added to the application by the Amendment; (2) the Amendment resolves all issues raised by the Examiner in the *Ex parte Quayle* action; (3) the subject matter of the Amendment already has been included in the Examiner's search and therefore does not require the Examiner to perform further searching; (4) the Amendment places the application in condition for allowance or in better form for appeal; and (5) the Amendment does not result in a net addition of claims to the application.

Formal Matters

The Examiner requested that Applicants provide an application number for "application number unknown," on page 5, line 15 of the specification. Applicants have amended the specification to include the proper application number of the referenced application, which was not yet assigned at the time of filing the present application. Reconsideration and withdrawal of the Examiner's objection to the specification are respectfully requested.

Conclusion

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicants respectfully submit that the Examiner's objection has been overcome, and that the application, including claims 1-27, 29-34, 36-54, 57-59, 63-68, 110-113, and 118-121, is in condition for allowance. Reconsideration and withdrawal of the Examiner's objection and a Notice of Allowance is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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